- The RCMP will respond accordingly if/when the Emergencies Act is invoked.

- The focus in the first instance will be mobilizing all available RCMP Federal Policing Resources from across the country.

- The resources will be directed towards addressing the situation in Windsor and Ottawa. RCMP resources are already on the ground in both of these areas, but we will expedite increasing this support starting tomorrow.

- In terms of Ottawa, we now have the benefit of an integrated planning cell which was created two days ago, which includes the RCMP, OPP and OPS. This has a fulsome mass plan to bring the protest in Ottawa to a conclusion.

- The approach today and through the weekend in Ottawa will be to contain with some very strategic targeted enforcement. This is due to the potential increase in numbers over the weekend, but also to allow focus on the bridge blockade in Windsor, which is in a higher priority to due concerns about violence and the economic and reputational impacts.

- As of 3:15, there were 250 people and approximately 100 vehicles.

- Windsor: There is currently 100 OPP, 36 Windsor Police and 3 public order units from RCMP, OPP and Waterloo prepared with a plan to remove the protestors tomorrow before any other counter protest can pop up (Auto workers).

- OPP has taken over critical incident command of the Windsor site and the RCMP has diverted resources from Ottawa to assist in enforcement beginning tomorrow.

Considerations

- It will be necessary to continue to work with and leverage the police of jurisdiction and the provincial police.

- If we have to beyond Federal resources, into contract divisions there are some contractual limitations specifically agreement of the RCMP can access up to 10 percent of these resources. Of course, some divisions are already

stretched, particularly BC, AB and MB given their other contractual responsibilities and managing similar protest activities in a number of locations.

- Will also need time move equipment and tools

- Have to leverage RCMP intelligence assets from across the country, work with our GOC intel partners, as well as the combined intelligence group that has been set up for the Ottawa protest.

- My team and I will be guided in our enforcement actions by ensuring public and officer safety.

- And, as my Minister has noted, the policing community has been reactive – Our focus in the very short term will be on proactive.